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# VIRGINIA CROPS AND LIVESTOCK

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### VIRGINIA'S PRODUCERS EXPECT MOSTLY LOWER YIELDS IN 2010

Virginia's corn yields are expected to be 65 bushels per acre, down 66 bushels per acre from last year. Production is estimated at 20.8 million bushels, down 52 percent from 2009. Harvested acres are estimated at 320,000.

Peanut producers expect to harvest 17,000 acres, up 42 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 2,200 pounds per acre, down 1500 pounds from last year's yield. Resulting production will be 37.4 million pounds, down 16 percent from 2009's production.

Soybean producers currently expect to harvest 580,000 acres with an average yield of 24 bushels per acre, down 13 bushels per acre from last year. Production is expected to total 13.9 million bushels, down 34 percent from last year.

Cotton yield is forecast to average 713 pounds per acre, down 339 pounds from last year's 1,052 pounds per acre. If realized, production would be 104,000 bales, down 25 percent from last year. Producers expect to harvest 70,000 acres in 2010, up 11 percent from last year.

Flue tobacco producers currently expect yields to average 2,200 pounds, down 140 pounds from 2009. Production will total 33.0 million pounds from 15,000 acres.

Burley yields are expected to average 2,200 pounds, up 60 pounds from last year. Production is expected to total 3.7 million pounds, down 13 percent from 2009. Producers expect to harvest 1,700 acres, down 300 acres from the previous year.

Fire-cured tobacco yields are expected to average 1,900 pounds per acre, down 100 pounds from 2009. Production is expected to total 1,330,000 pounds, up 2 percent from 2009. Producers expect to harvest 700 acres in 2010 up 8 percent from last year.

Hay producers expect to harvest 90,000 acres of alfalfa hay with an average yield of 2.5 tons per acre. Production is expected to total 225,000 tons, down 17 percent from 2009. There are 1.2 million acres of other hay expected to be harvested in Virginia. The yield for other hay is expected to average 1.80 tons per acre. Production is expected to total 2.16 million tons, down 10 percent from the previous year.

Winter wheat yield is forecast at 51 bushels per acre compared with 58 bushels per acre a year earlier. Production is expected to total 9.18 million bushels which is down 25 percent from the previous year. Harvested acreage is down 30,000 acres from 2009 to 180,000 acres.

Barley yields averaged 71 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels per acre from last year. The resulting production will total 4.26 million bushels. Barley producers harvested 60,000 acres, which was up 17,000 acres from last year.

## VIRGINIA CROP PRODUCTION

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Crop	Acres Planted			Acres For Harvest			Yield Per Acre			Unit	Production		
	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010		2008	2009	2010
	-Thousand Acres-			-Thousand Acres-			-Units -				-Thousand Units-		
Apples	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Lbs.	226,000	245,000	244,000
Barley	63	67	90	36	43	60	85.0	74.0	71.0	Bu.	3,060	3,182	4,260
Corn for Grain	470	480	460	340	330	320	108.0	131.0	65.0	Bu.	36,720	43,230	20,800
Corn for Silage 1/	---	---	---	125	135	5/	16.0	18.5	5/	Tons	2,000	2,498	5/
Cotton, Upland 2/	61	64	70	60	63	70	908	1,052	713	Bales	113.5	138.1	104.0
All Hay	---	---	---	1,270	1,180	1,290	2.16	2.26	1.85	Tons	2,748	2,668	2,385
Alfalfa Hay	---	---	---	90	90	90	3.00	3.00	2.50	Tons	270	270	225
Other Hay	---	---	---	1,180	1,090	1,200	2.10	2.20	1.80	Tons	2,478	2,398	2,160
Oats 3/	12	12	12	4	4	4	70.0	54.0	5/	Bu.	280	216	5/
Peaches	---	---	---	---	---	5/	---	---	5/	Tons	5.2	5.8	6.5
Peanuts	24	12	17	24	12	17	3,350	3,700	2,200	Lbs.	80,400	44,400	37,400
Summer Potatoes	5.8	7.0	6.0	5.7	6.9	5.9	220	240	240	Cwt.	1,254	1,656	1,416
Sweet Potatoes	0.3	5/	5/	0.3	5/	5/	100	5/	5/	Cwt.	30	5/	5/
Soybeans	580	580	590	570	570	580	32.0	37.0	24.0	Bu.	18,240	21,090	13,920
Tobacco 4/	---	---	---	19.50	20.15	17.40	2,357	2,309	2,188	Lbs.	45,970	46,530	38,070
Flue-Cured Tobacco	---	---	---	17.00	17.50	15.00	2,410	2,340	2,200	Lbs.	40,970	40,950	33,000
Burley Tobacco	---	---	---	2.00	2.00	1.70	2,000	2,140	2,200	Lbs.	4,000	4,280	3,740
Fire-Cured Tobacco	---	---	---	.50	.65	.70	2,000	2,000	1,900	Lbs.	1,000	1,300	1,330
Winter Wheat	310	250	200	280	210	180	71.0	58.0	51.0	Bu.	19,880	12,180	9,180

1/ Silage planted included in corn for grain planted. 2/ Cotton yield in pounds, production in 480 pound net weight bales. 3/ Acres for harvest is grain only. 4/ Includes all types. 5/ Not estimated yet.

**Milk Cows and Milk Production  
Virginia and United States June 2009 - 2010**

State	Milk Cows <sup>1/</sup>			Milk Per Cow <sup>2/</sup>			Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>		
	June 2009	May 2010	June 2010	June 2009	May 2010	June 2010	June 2009	May 2010	June 2010
	<i>-Thousand Head-</i>			<i>-Pounds-</i>			<i>-Million Pounds-</i>		
Virginia	96	95	95	1,500	1,640	1,515	144	156	144
23 State Total	8,434	8,337	8,347	1,749	1,893	1,816	14,754	15,781	15,154

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**AGRICULTURAL LAND VALUES**

**FARM REAL ESTATE: Average Value Per Acre, January 1, 2006-2010**

State	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
KY	2,670	2,740	2,850	2,850	2,880
NC	4,060	4,330	4,450	4,250	4,130
TN	2,970	3,250	3,450	3,300	3,450
VA	4,430	4,900	5,000	4,800	4,600
WV	2,000	2,300	2,500	2,400	2,400

**CROPLAND: Average Value Per Acre, January 1, 2006-2010**

State	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	<i>-Dollars-</i>				
KY	2,810	2,930	3,100	3,150	3,180
NC	3,450	3,720	3,850	3,770	3,720
TN	2,820	3,200	3,400	3,270	3,400
VA	4,800	5,250	5,350	5,000	4,700
WV	3,300	3,600	3,800	3,500	3,400

**PASTURE: Average Value Per Acre, January 1, 2006-2010**

State	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	<i>-Dollars-</i>				
KY	2,230	2,500	2,570	2,420	2,440
NC	4,400	4,800	4,870	4,600	4,340
TN	3,400	3,680	3,880	3,650	3,600
VA	4,440	4,800	4,830	4,800	4,500
WV	1,800	1,900	1,950	1,900	1,900

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS <sup>1/</sup>

Commodity	Unit	Virginia			United States			Parity Prices July <sup>9/</sup> 2010
		July 2009	June 2010	July 2010	July 2009	June 2010	July 2010	
		-Dollars-			-Dollars-			
Wheat (Winter) <sup>2/</sup>	Bu.	3.82	4.06	5.05	5.02	4.05	4.72	14.50
Corn	Bu.	3.67	3.72	3.88	3.60	3.41	3.55	9.02
Barley (All)	Bu.	1.98	2.40	2.36	5.09	3.74	3.60	10.10
Hay, Baled: All <sup>3/</sup>	Ton	130.00	122.00	138.00	116.00	114.00	112.00	—
Alfalfa <sup>3/</sup>	Ton	175.00	140.00	160.00	120.00	119.00	117.00	—
Other <sup>3/</sup>	Ton	125.00	120.00	135.00	104.00	99.10	97.30	—
All Tobacco	Lb.	--	--	--	--	--	--	—
Peanuts	Lb.	.252	.222	.204	0.234	0.216	0.218	0.703
Soybeans	Bu.	10.21	8.75	9.15	10.80	9.45	9.79	22.20
Apples, For Fresh Use	Lb.	--	--	--	0.172	0.308	0.304	0.800
Potatoes	Cwt.	15.10	--	12.10	9.81	8.25	8.88	20.20
Oats	Bu.	2.68	2.20	2.30	2.03	2.08	2.29	5.92
Beef Cattle <sup>10/</sup>	Cwt.	75.70	83.10	84.20	80.90	90.30	90.60	247.00
Cows	Cwt.	45.40	54.00	51.00	47.30	57.80	58.40	—
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	92.00	101.00	102.00	85.30	94.80	95.10	—
Calves	Cwt.	99.00	117.00	111.00	108.00	121.00	119.00	349.00
Hogs (All)	Cwt.	--	--	--	43.30	58.30	57.80	134.00
Milk: All, Wholesale <sup>4/ 8/</sup>	Cwt.	14.10	18.90	19.30	11.30	15.50	16.00	44.40
Fluid Consumption <sup>8/</sup>	Cwt.	14.10	18.90	19.30	11.30	15.50	16.00	—
Manufacture <sup>8/</sup>	Cwt.	--	--	--	10.20	13.50	14.20	—
Market Eggs <sup>3/ 5/</sup>	Doz.	0.75	0.54	0.62	0.524	0.422	0.528	2.21
Broilers, Live <sup>6/</sup>	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	0.490	0.510	0.510	—
Turkeys, Live <sup>3/ 6/</sup>	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	0.520	0.617	0.644	1.360

-- No sales indicated or not available. 1/ Current month prices are mid-month prices, other months are entire month prices except where noted. 2/ Parity price is for All Wheat. 3/ All prices are mid-month. 4/ Before deductions for hauling and govt. withholding, but includes bulk tank, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 5/ Includes eggs sold retail by the producer. 6/ Equivalent live weight returns to producers for most states. 7/ Discontinued. 8/ July 2010 fat test percent: all milk 3.51 fluid milk 3.51, mfg. grade 3.82. 9/ Adjusted base price 1910-14 derived by dividing the average of 10 seasons average prices 1996 – 2005, including an allowance where appropriate for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments resulting from price support operations, by 716 percent (120-month, Jan 1996–Dec 2005 average of the index of prices received by farmers adjusted to include an allowance for unredeemed loans and other supplemental payments) unless otherwise noted. 10/ "Cows" and "Steers and Heifers" combined.

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